I don't see the difference between XM providing local weather and traffic and the Weather Channel doing it on cable or satellite tv. Frankly, anything that helps people be safe should be encouraged. Twice I have been let down by local radio broadcasts about extremely severe weather while travelling by car. Once I could see obvously severe weather ahead of me in Charleston, SC but no radio station was putting out an emergency broadcast - it ends up that there were THREE tornados and the causeway to Hilton Head was flooded!!! Another time I practically drove into a tornado in NC that was not even hinted at by local radio. Between hurricanes Florida and blizzards in Cleveland, I think the XM service could really help people make good choices. This is both a 1st ammendment issue and a safety issue.